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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the September 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

William R. Meyer
Director

Idaho Milk Production up 6.8 Percent

Idaho milk production during August 2006 totaled 970 million pounds, a 6.8 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 10 million pounds from July 2006. Revised production for July 2006 totaled 960 million pounds, unchanged from the preliminary estimate and 6.4 percent above July 2005. Average milk production per cow in August 2006 was 1,960 pounds, up 20 pounds from August 2005, but unchanged from July 2006. The average number of milk cows during August was 495,000 head, up 5,000 head from July 2006 and up 27,000 head from August 2005.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from August 2005. July revised production, at 13.9 billion pounds, was up 1.5 percent from July 2005. The July revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,680 pounds for August, 9 pounds above August 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.25 million head, 88,000 head more than August 2005, but 9,000 head less than July 2006.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2005-2006

Month	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2005
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	436	473	1,830	1,830	798	866	8.5
February	437	473	1,680	1,670	734	790	7.6
March	441	476	1,880	1,880	829	895	8.0
April	443	478	1,850	1,850	820	884	7.8
May	445	484	1,930	1,940	859	939	9.3
June	451	489	1,900	1,910	857	934	9.0
July	460	490	1,960	1,960	902	960	6.4
August	468	495	1,940	1,960	908	970	6.8
September	469		1,850		868		
October	470		1,870		879		
November	471		1,790		843		
December	472		1,830		864		
Annual	455		22,332		10,161		

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, August 2005-2006

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2005
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	161	167	1,770	1,715	285	286	0.4
California	1,759	1,768	1,795	1,860	3,157	3,288	4.1
Colorado	105	112	1,970	1,990	207	223	7.7
Florida	135	130	1,230	1,255	166	163	-1.8
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Illinois	104	103	1,515	1,550	158	160	1.3
Indiana	157	165	1,660	1,625	261	268	2.7
Iowa	196	200	1,740	1,645	341	329	-3.5
Kansas	112	113	1,690	1,730	189	195	3.2
Kentucky	106	97	1,030	1,020	109	99	-9.2
Michigan	314	319	1,830	1,830	575	584	1.6
Minnesota	450	450	1,510	1,525	680	686	0.9
Missouri	115	115	1,300	1,185	150	136	-9.3
New Mexico	331	362	1,825	1,780	604	644	6.6
New York	647	643	1,600	1,605	1,035	1,032	-0.3
Ohio	270	274	1,460	1,480	394	406	3.0
Oregon	121	121	1,630	1,570	197	190	-3.6
Pennsylvania	562	554	1,575	1,580	885	875	-1.1
Texas	320	337	1,625	1,655	520	558	7.3
Vermont	143	141	1,550	1,510	222	213	-4.1
Virginia	105	103	1,360	1,360	143	140	-2.1
Washington	245	237	1,970	1,955	483	463	-4.1
Wisconsin	1,236	1,244	1,595	1,570	1,971	1,953	-0.9
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TOTAL	8,162	8,250	1,671	1,680	13,640	13,861	1.6

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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